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Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 4-6 and 8 as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) Method for recording data, with the successive comprising the steps of:
 - recording a data container having a given container length;
 - recording a key indicative of a back-pointer;
 - recording a length indicator; and
 - recording a value indicative of the container length.
- 2. (Original) Method according to claim 1, with the further step of:
 - recording the length indicator.
- 3. (Original) Method according to claim 2, with the further step of:
 - recording the key indicative of the back-pointer.
- 4. (Currently Amended) Method for retrieving sets of data on a medium in [[a]] an order opposite to the recording order, comprising the steps of:
 - accessing a first set of data;
 - accessing a key indicative of a back-pointer;
 - reading a value indicative of a container length; and
 - accessing a second set of data using said value.
- 5. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 4, wherein the sets of data are <u>key-length-value</u> (KLV) encoded.
- 6. (Currently Amended) Data file comprising successive blocks, each block comprising successively:
 - a data container having a container length;
 - a back-pointer key;
 - a length indicator; and
 - a value indicative of the container length.
- 7. (Original) Medium carrying a data file according to claim 6.

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- 8. (Currently Amended) Data structure comprising having successively:
 - a data container;
 - a back-pointer key;
 - a length indicator; and
 - a value indicative of the length of the data container.
- 9. (Original) Data structure according to claim 8, further having:
 - the length indicator.
- 10. (Original) Data structure according to claim 9, further having:
 - the back-pointer key.